

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 30 Aug 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 31 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 30 Aug 2023 at 03:59 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high confidence throughout the forecast period.

Headline for Wednesday 30 Aug 2023: Low cloud and a few showers in the morning, drier brighter in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 30 Aug 2023

Blizzards

No Likelihood

Gales

No Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow

No Likelihood

Severe chill effect

No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight

Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
30%	30%	20%	10%	10%	<05%

Forecast for Wednesday 30 Aug 2023

Weather: A cloudy morning, especially across the Sutherland hills where there will be scattered showers. Showers fading through the morning with all ranges seeing a largely dry and brighter afternoon. Mainly dry with clear skies into the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80% but 20% in the north during the first part of the morning.

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud in the north base 500-700m, during the first part of the morning, lifting and clearing through the morning. Visibility generally good away from low cloud.

Forecast for Wednesday 30 Aug 2023

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	20/23 N	18/21 N	13/18 N	12/16 N	8/11 N	8/11 NE	10/13 E
900	19/22 N	16/19 N	13/17 N	12/17 N	8/11 N	8/11 NE	10/13 E
600	13/16 N	12/15 N	11/15 N	11/15 N	7/10 N	3/6 E	9/12 E
300	5/19 NW	6/17 N	7/17 N	10/16 N	7/10 N	3/8 NE	5/10 E
Glen	7/16 N	7/14 N	6/12 N	7/13 N	9/13 N	5/7 NE	7/9 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	6/1	5/0	6/2	6/3	6/4	6/4	6/3
900	6/2	6/2	7/3	7/4	7/4	7/4	6/3
600	8/5	8/5	9/7	10/7	9/8	8/8	8/6
300	10/9	11/10	13/11	13/11	12/11	10/10	9/8
Glen	12/11	14/13	15/14	16/15	15/13	13/12	12/11
Freezing Level*	1800m	1800m	1800m	1800m	1800m	1800m	1800m

*Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Best of the conditions in the morning in the southeast towards the Great Glen.

Forecast for Thursday 31 Aug 2023

Weather: Dry with prolonged sunny spells on Thursday. Clouding over in the evening with the odd spot of rain across Knoydart after dark.

Maximum wind: Easterly 10-15 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 90% reducing to 40% along the west coast later in the evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Very good visibility with cloud generally above the summits.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 8 rising to plus 17 Celsius
At 800m: Plus 5 rising to plus 10 Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits